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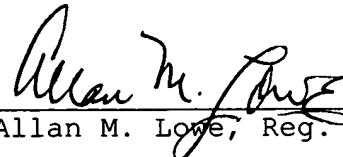
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Documents considered to be relevant:

Category	Relevant to claims	Identity of document and passage or figure of particular relevance	
X	1 to 23, 26 to 31	WO 02/07122 A2	(UNIVERSAL ELECTRONICS), see abstract
X	1 to 3, 5, 6, 9 to 11, 14 to 16, 18, 19	EP 0566516 A1	(IBM), see abstract
X	1 to 3, 5, 6, 9 to 11, 14 to 16, 18, 19	WO 95/35534 A1	(MULTIMEDIA TELEWARE), see abstract
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